

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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 AVNER MALOUL and ALLEN LOWY, :
 Plaintiffs, : Case No. 07 CIV 8525 (LBS)
 ECF CASE
 v. :
 DECLARATION OF
 SCOTT J. PASHMAN
 REGARDING DELAYED
 FILING DUE TO
TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES
 IVAN BERKOWITZ, GREAT COURT :
 CAPITAL, LLC, SD PARTNERS, LLC, UTIX :
 GROUP, INC., VSUS TECHNOLOGIES, INC. :
 and SUNSET BRANDS, INC., :
 Defendants. :
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SCOTT J. PASHMAN hereby declares as follows:

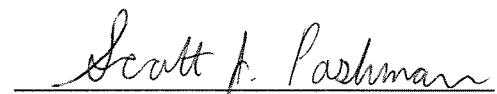
1. I am associated with Cooley Godward Kronish LLP, counsel to defendant Utix Group, Inc. in the above-entitled action.
2. On December 28, 2007, I was prevented from filing the document entitled *Answer and Affirmative Defenses of Utix Group, Inc.*, dated December 28, 2007 (“Utix Answer”), due to unexpected technical difficulties that caused the Court’s electronic filing system (ECF) to be inaccessible throughout the day on December 28.
3. I confirmed the existence of the technical difficulties regarding the ECF system on December 28 by reviewing a Notice to the Bar posted on the Court’s website and through a telephone call to the ECF Help Desk.
4. On December 28, 2007, I served copies of the Utix Answer by electronic mail on all counsel of record in this case.
5. Additionally, on December 28, 2007, I attempted to electronically file the Utix Answer through the ECF system, and received a receipt indicating that the document had been successfully filed. A copy of the filing receipt is attached as Exhibit A.

6. However, on December 29, 2007, when the ECF system was restored, there was no longer any indication on the docket for this case that the Utix Answer had actually been filed.

7. Accordingly, I respectfully request that the Court permit the filing of the Utix Answer by ECF on December 29, 2007.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Executed on December 29, 2007



Scott J. Pashman (SP-7620)

EXHIBIT A – RECEIPT OF ELECTRONIC FILING ON DECEMBER 28, 2007

Answers to Complaints

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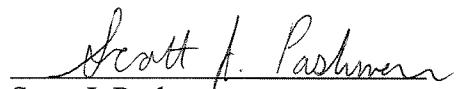
CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that a copy of the foregoing document entitled *Declaration of Scott J. Pashman Regarding Delayed Filing Due To Technical Difficulties*, dated December 29, 2007, was served on on December 29, 2007, via the Court's ECF system upon:

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